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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Contemporaneous with the filing of this case and prior to calculation of the filing fee, kindly amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2"

Claim 4, line 1, delete "to 3"

Claim 5, line 1, delete "to 4"

Claim 7, line 1, delete "one of the preceding claims"

and insert therefor "claim 1"

Claim 8, line 1, delete "to 6"

Claim 9, line 1, delete "to 6"

Claim 10, line 1, delete "one of the preceding claims" and insert therefor "claim 1" $\dot{}$

Claim 11, line 1, delete "one of the preceding claims" and insert therefor "claim 1"